

Holt County Sentinel.

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POPULATION OF ST. JOSEPH.

The St. Joseph *Gazette* says, that a late census taken in that city, shows a population of 30,000 inhabitants and thinks that at the present rate of increase the population in two years will be 60,000.

DEATH OF GEN. ROBERT WILSON.

A dispatch, dated Marshall, Saline county, Mo., May 10th, says that General Robert Wilson, is dead. This will be sad news to many of our citizens in this part who have known the General for many years.

EDITORIAL CONVENTION.

The Convention of the Editors and Publishers of the State meets in Kansas City on the 18th of May. It is our intention to be present and spend a short recreation with our brethren of the quill; who, on such occasions, invariably throw dull care away. We hope to see the Press of the State well represented.

ASSISTANT U. S. ASSESSOR.

We learn that Judge L. H. Weatherby, of DeKalb county, has received the appointment of Assistant Assessor at large for Successions and Legacies. His territory comprises this Congressional District. The Judge is one of the prominent Radicals of Northwest Missouri and the appointment is a deserved recognition of his services to his country and party.

A CLERGYMAN REBUKED.

A few days ago, Rev. C. B. Smith of the Eleventh Street Presbyterian Church New York, was rebuked for drinking gin and milk in a bar-room on the Sabbath day in company with two newspaper reporters, and neglecting to ask a blessing over the refreshment. The United Presbyterian Assembly found him guilty of the offense, and sentenced him to be openly rebuked.

The reverend sinner made a full confession of his guilt, and promised to walk more circumspectly in the future. He received the soothing censure from the lips of Rev. Dr. Harper on the spot.

PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

Elsewhere we publish a short article from the St. Louis *Mail* on Primary Elections, and denunciatory of the convention system. The way conventions have been carried on in St. Louis, has given great dissatisfaction. Owing to the indifference of Republicans about attending the ward and township meetings, comparatively few men have had the management of the party in their hands. It is very questionable whether Primary Elections for the purpose of nominating all the candidates, would be attended any better in the future.

The convention system, if properly carried on—delegates being elected by the Republican voters of each precinct—is the only true mode of ascertaining the will of the majority. We have seen both plans practically worked, and experience has taught us, that nominating by primary elections has given rise to interminable strife and dissatisfaction. Every township comes up with its own plurality candidate. There are probably one or more candidates for the same office from each precinct. The burden of deciding who the nominees are would devolve upon the Central Committee. This would be placing too much responsibility on the committee, and would give rise to many misgivings.

The true way of preventing corruption is convention and giving greater satisfaction, is for all the good Republican citizens to take part in the township meetings. It is here where the evils complained of, can best be remedied.

St. Joseph and Council Bluffs Consolidate with the Missouri Valley Railroad.

The meeting of stockholders of the St. Joseph and Council Bluffs Railroad, to consider the subject of consolidation, took place Saturday in this city. It has transpired that the stock of the Missouri Valley were accepted, and the consolidation will take effect in accordance with the act of the Legislature in its recent session. The basis is, that the Missouri Valley is to receive one share of stock in the consolidated road, for each three of its own shares.

There is no doubt of the utility to both corporations of this consolidation, and we see nothing disadvantageous to the city in the arrangement.

One of the consolidated road will be elected on the 17th inst.

It is understood the road now will be called the Kansas City, St. Joseph and Omaha road. The operations of the two will be just what they would have been under the two managements, except as to the increased efficiency from unity of interest.—*St. Joseph Gazette.*

The Editorial Convention at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, May 9.
To the editors of Missouri and Kansas:

The citizens of Kansas City are making arrangements for the Editorial Convention, which is to meet in this city on the 18th inst. A banquet to the editors of Missouri and Kansas, and a railroad excursion are included in the program.

The Pacific, Broadway, Sheridan and St. Nicholas Hotel will entertain editors at half rates.

The following railroads will grant free passes to editors to and from the Convention upon sufficient identification: The Mo. & Kans., Hannibal and St. Joseph, the Missouri Pacific, Mo. & Kans., and St. Joseph and Council Bluff railroads. It is believed the other roads of Missouri, and also those in Kansas, will extend like courtesies to the members of the press. ISAAC N. HICKS.

Secretary Kansas City Press Club.

Infanticide.
A white child, apparently three days old, was found in the culvert, near Mr. Price's residence on Gay street, on Tuesday. A post mortem examination revealed the fact that the child had been strangled to death, and had lain in the culvert three or four days. Dr. Rose, the coroner, held an inquest. They are briefly, as follows:

I. Abolishing District Courts.

II. Abolishing the requirement of the oath of loyalty as qualification of jurors.

III. Abolishing the double liability clause.

IV. Removing all restrictions of the right of self-incrimination upon color or participation in rebellion.

V. Forever prohibiting the diversion of any public money, by State, county or city authority, to the aid or support of any sectarian school or institution.

Destruction of the Old Spanish Archives of New Mexico.

The Santa Fe mail this morning brings us the result in full of the investigation into the sale and destruction of the old Spanish Archives of New Mexico.

The following are the resolutions upon Gov. File:

WHEREAS, At a preliminary meeting of the citizens of the county of Santa Fe, Territory of New Mexico, a Committee was appointed to investigate and report to this meeting and result of such investigation in reference to the sale and destruction of a portion of the ancient archives of the territory, a copy of which is now in the possession of the said Committee having reported to this meeting that the present Governor of this Territory, William A. Pile, was the prime cause of the sale and destruction of said archives; having himself given away a portion of them, and under pre-emptory instructions to the Librarian, Ira M. Bond, compelled him to dispose of the residue; therefore be it,

Resolved, That in the estimation of this meeting, the largest and most enlightened of the citizens of the territory, a copy of which is now in the possession of the said Committee, he is unworthy of the confidence of our people, and unfit to occupy among us any position of honor, trust, or profit.

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